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Our primary purpose is to get the MREM's and IL-28 bombers out and we would be prepared to go far in reducing the list of offensive weapons in order to achieve this purpose. When Kuznetsov is in a position to negotiate (which may not be until Moscow gets him instructions following our approach to the Soviet Ambassador here last night) you may go as far as necessary toward the following minimum list:

1. Surface-to-surface missiles. (We are prepared limit these to MREM's and IREM's and drop mention of those designed for use at sea, and propellants.)
2. Bomber aircraft.

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3. Any nuclear warheads for missiles, nuclear bombs for aircraft, or any other type nuclear weapon.

With regard to the Komar-class torpedo boats you might, however, inquire whether Soviets intend to furnish any additional craft of this kind. What we are concerned about are the missiles and bombers with their immediate supporting equipment, and you could explain that point five in your letter to Mikoyan was included to prevent setting up of bases complete except for missiles which could quickly and secretly be brought in.

This modifies the instructions contained in section 2 DEPTTEL 1034, ^{QUOTE} Definition of Offensive Weapons UNQUOTE.

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